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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to voice my opinion **against the proposed rate increase for SCE&G.**

It is apparent that the majority of folks are having a hard time keeping food on the table and gas in their cars to get back and forth to work, if they are fortunate enough to have a job. Some even have to find shelter for their families on cold nights in public shelters because they cannot afford the high power bills to heat their homes.

If SCE&G is allowed another rate increase, where will that leave folks like this? They won't even be able to afford the power it takes to use their stove to cook. This involves not only the elderly but parents with children of all ages and adults of all ages.

Times are tough for the moment, don't they get it? This is one place SCE&G could rise to the occasion and lesson the fat in their pockets for the good of mankind.

At a time when people truly are pulling together, helping those less fortunate, making sure those around them have the basics of life, is it really a time for big business to cut our throats by increasing the cost of something as necessary as electricity and gas?

Don't they know; **this too shall pass, prosperity will return and when it does rate increases may be in order, but they are not in order in times like these!**

My husband and I are SCE&G customers and I want my voice to be heard. If there are any public meetings we can go and voice our opinion, please let us know where and when.

Sincerely,



Marian H. Warner